

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 1999-468-C - ORDER NO. 2008-823
DECEMBER 18, 2008

IN RE:	Application of Qwest Communications)	ORDER APPROVING
	Corporation for Authority to Provide)	CHANGE OF COMPANY
	Competitive Local Exchange)	NAME
	Telecommunications Services in the State of)	
	South Carolina)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the “Commission”) on the application, filed October 21, 2008, of Qwest Communications Corporation (“QCC” or the “Company”) for approval of a name change. QCC currently holds a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide local exchange telecommunications services in South Carolina pursuant to the authority granted by Commission Order No. 2000-0260, dated March 15, 2000, and as clarified by Order No. 2004-327, dated July 12, 2004.

Upon QCC’s October 21, 2008 filing, the Commission’s Docketing Department instructed the company to publish a Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the areas affected by the name change request. On October 29, 2008, QCC filed a request asking that the publication requirement be waived. The Commission granted QCC’s waiver request based on the fact that the rates, terms, and conditions of telecommunications services provided by QCC would not be affected by the name change of the Company. *See* Order No. 2008-769, dated November 13, 2008. The matter now comes before the Commission for disposition.

By informational filing received October 21, 2008, QCC advises the Commission that it is in the process of converting from a corporation to a limited liability company (“LLC”), whereby QCC will be named Qwest Communications Company, LLC (“Qwest LLC”). According to QCC, there will be no change to QCC's operations as a result of this transaction other than the conversion from a corporation to a limited liability company and a slight name change. Further, QCC states there will be no change to the management, corporate ownership, financial assets and liabilities, employees, property, plant, equipment and other contract rights and obligations of the company upon conversion of QCC to Qwest LLC. QCC advises that the proposed conversion will be seamless and transparent to QCC's customers, being that the company will provide the same telecommunications services at the same rates it is currently providing to its customers in South Carolina. Further, QCC states that all customers of QCC will be notified of the company's conversion to a limited liability company. QCC requests that the Commission approve the name change as soon as possible, but no later than December 30, 2008, so that any necessary approvals can be obtained.

After approval and completion of the transaction, QCC advises that Qwest LLC will file with the Commission copies of the Certificate of Conversion to Limited Liability Company, the Certificate of Formation of Limited Liability Company, the Certificate of Good Standing issued by the Delaware Secretary of State and the Certificate of Authority to Transact Business in the State of South Carolina from the South Carolina Secretary of State.

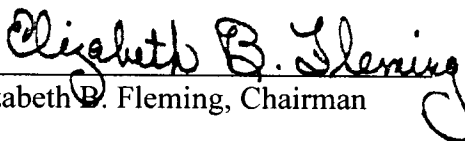
After review and consideration of QCC's request, the Commission concludes that the request for approval of a change in the Company's name should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

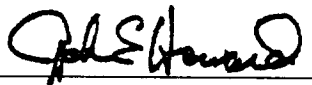
1. The application for approval of a change in the name of Qwest Communications Corporation is approved, and accordingly, the Commission's records will hereby be amended to reflect the Company's new name of Qwest Communications Company, LLC.

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Elizabeth B. Fleming, Chairman

ATTEST:


John E. Howard, Vice Chairman
(SEAL)